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U.S. CHARGES 13 ALLEGED MEMBERS OF JAMAICAN DRUG ORGANIZATION WITH RACKETEERING, MURDER AND NARCOTICS CONSPIRACY

DAVID N. KELLEY, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, RAYMOND W. KELLY, the Commissioner of the New York City Police Department, JOHN KLOCHAN, Acting Assistant Director of the New York Field Office of the FBI, and JOHN P. GILBRIDE, the Special Agent in Charge of the Drug Enforcement Administration's New York Office, announced today the unsealing of a federal racketeering indictment charging 13 members and associates of a violent drug trafficking organization, referred to in the Indictment as the "Two Mile Posse." The Two Mile Posse is largely comprised of Jamaican nationals, many of whom have ties to the "Two Mile" section of Kingston, Jamaica.

The Indictment contains 14 counts charging 13 defendants with murder, racketeering, firearms possession, and narcotics offenses related to their alleged participation in the Two Mile Posse.

The Indictment names the following defendants as being members and associates of the Two Mile Posse: MARK BROWN, a/k/a "Kirk Watson," a/k/a "Blackbud," a/k/a "Blacks," CONRAD COOPER, a/k/a "Dervin," MAXINE DAVIS, ROBERT DELEON, a/k/a "Robert Miller," a/k/a "Bobby Socks," SHELDON FULLER, a/k/a "Andre Blake," a/k/a "David

Campbell, "KEVIN JACKSON, a/k/a "Kevin Peterson, a/k/a "Treppants,"

RYAN KING, a/k/a "Gary, a/k/a "Longers, STEPHEN MATTIS, a/k/a "Steve,"

a/k/a "Rockpeck," VIVIAN MONTAQUE, a/k/a "Wolfie," ANTHONY PHILLIPS,

a/k/a "Curtis," DESMOND SHAW, a/k/a "Bigga," a/k/a "Milton Davis," a/k/a

"Junior," and ENRICO THOMAS, a/k/a "Rico," a/k/a "Meng Feng," and KARL

WILSON a/k/a "Barry."

As alleged in the Indictment, the criminal activity of the Two Mile Posse members and associates included, among other things, the operation and maintenance of its marijuana-trafficking business. Members and associates of the Two Mile Posse imported marijuana from Arizona into New York, New York, and distributed marijuana principally in the vicinity of 2512 7th Avenue, New York, New York, and a residential apartment building (the "Dunbar Building") which occupies the block bounded by 149th Street, 150th Street, 7th Avenue, and 8th Avenue, New York, New York.

The criminal activity of the Two Mile Posse also included murder and the possession of deadly weapons, including firearms, in the course of the Two Mile Posse's criminal activities. BROWN, JACKSON, PHILLIPS, and RYAN are charged with the murder of Dennis Paulk on June 20, 2002. Paulk was stabbed to death by BROWN, JACKSON, PHILLIPS, RYAN and others in the vicinity of 2512 7th Avenue in Manhattan after Paulk attempted to rob one of their associates, it was charged. COOPER, FULLER, and THOMAS are charged with the murders of Rohan Bailey and Camila Simmonds. Bailey and Simmonds were shot and killed on December 19, 2001, at 231 West 149th Street in Manhattan.

When the Indictment was unsealed, all 13 defendants were already in federal custody, having been charged previously with participating in a conspiracy to distribute more than 1,000 kilograms of marijuana.

This case has been assigned to United States District Judge P. KEVIN CASTEL, and the defendants are scheduled to be arraigned on Thursday, April 28, 2005, at 10:30 a.m.

Set forth below are the defendants, the charges, and the maximum potential sentences:

DEFENDANT	CHARGES	MAXIMUM POTENTIAL SENTENCE
MARK BROWN	Racketeering; Racketeering Conspiracy; Violent Crime In Aid Of Racketeering; Narcotics Conspiracy	Death
CONRAD COOPER	Racketeering; Racketeering Conspiracy; Violent Crime In Aid Of Racketeering; Murder In Connection With A Drug Crime; Firearm Possession; Narcotics Conspiracy	Death
MAXINE DAVIS	Narcotics Conspiracy	Life Imprisonment
ROBERT DELEON	Narcotics Conspiracy	Life Imprisonment

SHELDON FULLER	Racketeering; Racketeering Conspiracy; Violent Crime In Aid Of Racketeering; Murder In Connection With A Drug Crime; Firearm Possession; Narcotics Conspiracy	Death
KEVIN JACKSON	Racketeering; Racketeering Conspiracy; Violent Crime In Aid Of Racketeering; Firearm Possession; Narcotics Conspiracy	Death
RYAN KING	Racketeering; Racketeering Conspiracy; Violent Crime In Aid Of Racketeering; Firearm Possession; Narcotics Conspiracy	Death
STEPHEN MATTIS	Narcotics Conspiracy	Life Imprisonment
VIVIAN MONTAQUE	Narcotics Conspiracy	Life Imprisonment
ANTHONY PHILLIPS	Racketeering; Racketeering Conspiracy; Violent Crime In Aid Of Racketeering; Firearm Possession; Narcotics Conspiracy	Death
DESMOND SHAW	Racketeering; Racketeering Conspiracy; Narcotics Conspiracy	Life Imprisonment

ENRICO THOMAS	Racketeering; Racketeering Conspiracy; Violent Crime In Aid Of Racketeering; Murder In Connection With A Drug Crime; Firearm Possession; Narcotics Conspiracy	Death
KARL WILSON	Firearm Possession; Narcotics	Life Imprisonment

The Indictment also seeks forfeiture of any proceeds, including but not limited to \$5 million, which the defendants allegedly obtained directly or indirectly as a result of their criminal activities.

Mr. KELLEY praised the outstanding efforts of the New York City Police Department, the 32nd Precinct Detective Squad, the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force ("OCDETF") Strike Force, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Drug Enforcement Administration for their assistance in the investigation.

Assistant United States Attorneys KATHERINE A. LEMIRE and MICHAEL Y. SCUDDER, JR. are in charge of the prosecution.

The charges contained in the Indictment are merely accusations, and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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